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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

9 AMANDA BANTA, *et al.*,

10 Plaintiffs,

11 v.

12 ROBERT W. FERGUSON, *et al.*,

13 Defendants.
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No. 2:23-cv-00112-MKD

MOTION TO EXPEDITE
ALLIANCE FOR GUN
RESPONSIBILITY'S MOTION
TO INTERVENE AS
DEFENDANT

NOTED ON MOTION

CALENDAR:

May 23, 2023

Without Oral Argument

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18 Proposed Intervenor-Defendant Alliance for Gun Responsibility ("Alliance")
19 respectfully requests that this Court expedite consideration of its now-unopposed
20 Motion to Intervene and decide the motion on May 23, 2023.

21 On May 11, 2023, the Alliance filed its Motion to Intervene, noting it for June
22 12, 2023. ECF No. 25. At the time, the motion was not unopposed. Although counsel
24 to Plaintiffs had informed the Alliance that Plaintiffs did not oppose the motion "on
25 the understanding that the intervention will not create an imbalance in the pages or

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1 argument time allotted to each side,” counsel to Defendants Robert Ferguson and
2 John Batiste (“State Defendants”) had not yet informed the Alliance of their clients’
3 position. Since then, counsel to State Defendants have confirmed that State
4 Defendants do not oppose the motion.

5 Given that the Motion to Intervene is now unopposed, and consistent with the
6 guidance provided by Cora Vargas in her May 16, 2023 email to counsel, the
7 Alliance moves to expedite consideration of its Motion to Intervene. Plaintiffs and
8 State Defendants do not oppose this Motion to Expedite.

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10 DATED this 18th day of May, 2023.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the 18th day of May, 2023, I caused to be served, via ECF electronic service, a true copy of the foregoing Motion to Expedite upon all counsel registered for e-service.

DATED this 18th day of May, 2023.


Erica Knerr